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NEW POSTAGE STAMP ISSUE

On Monday, February 2nd, 1953, a newly designed $1.00 postage stamp will be issued. This stamp will display a Pacific Coast Indian House and Totem Pole. This subject is being depicted to emphasize a colourful element of Canada's rich heritage.

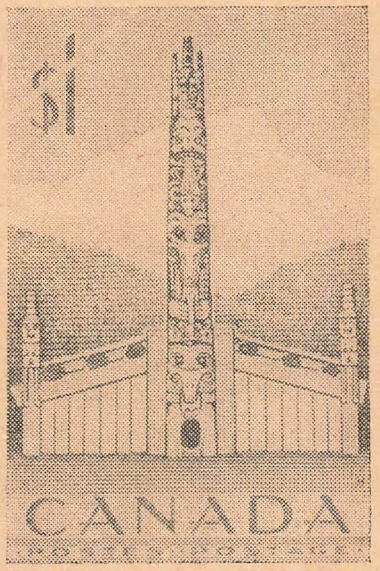
The natives of the north-west coast of Canada were accustomed to record for posterity their genealogy, history and traditions by carving and painting, using representative symbols, chiefly animal designs.

The new stamp was designed by Emanuel Hahn, R.C.A., S.S.C., a prominent sculptor of Toronto, Ont. The stamps were engraved and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa.

The new postage stamp will replace the current issue $1.00 "Fish Resources" design stamp. The new stamp will be the same size as the stamp it is replacing and will be black in colour. This stamp will be issued to Postmasters in panes of 50 stamps each.

First Day Covers

All patrons who desire to have First Day Covers with the new issue Postage Stamp specially cancelled on the date of issue are required to forward self-addressed covers to the



Postmaster, Ottawa 2, Ontario, not to the Philatelic Section, prior to the date of issue.

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fixed to first day covers. No orders for covers with this stamp affixed will be accepted.

In view of the high denomination of the new postage stamp, the normal first day cover service will not be charged for this issue. All remittances are to be made payable to The Receiver General of Canada.

Remittances for mint stamps (payable in Canadian funds) are to be made payable to the Receiver General of Canada, and sent directly to the Post Office Department, Financial Branch, Ottawa 4, Ontario. Remittances for first day covers are to be made payable to the Receiver General of Canada and sent to the Postmaster, Ottawa 2, Ontario.

The new issue $1.00 postage stamp will be overprinted with the letter "G" as are all other stamps of the current ordinary issue.

Friends of Mr. Aubrey Kelson will be sorry to learn that he was a patient in the hospital early in the new year.

Mr. Walter Bileski, of Winnopeg, called on us this month on his way east oon a buying trip for his brother, K. Bileski.

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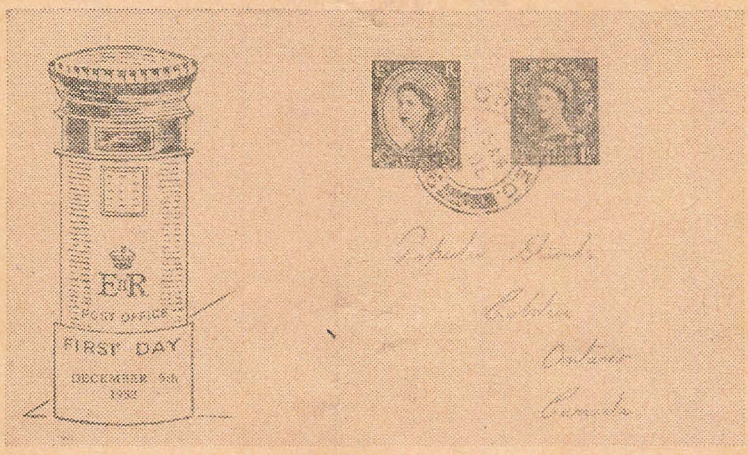

First Day cover bearing the new Queen Elizabeth II stamps for Britain.

Medicine and Postage Stamps

At the semi-monthly meeting of the London Philatelic Society, Friday November 21, the following address was given by one of their members, Dr. Kenneth R. Richardson, a lecturer at the University of Western Ontario Medical School, who took as his subject, "Medicine and Postage Stamps". This is a similar address to the one that he delivered, at the convocation to Sir John Wilson, Bart, L.L.D., the keeper of the Queen's stamps, a year ago.

Dr. Richardson began his remarks by stating that Topical collections were fast becoming a sideline to most collectors, and that he, being a medical man, naturally would dig up everything pertaining to medicine. He said that he hardly knew where to start, stating that there were eight classes pertaining to the medicine group, namely — Mythology and insignia; second — Physicians and Honoring Physicians; third—Medical scientists, chemists and physicists; fourth — Lay Persons; fifth — Congresses and Meetings; sixth — Hospitals, Sanitoriums, Universities, and Schools, etc.; seventh — Medical Subjects or Scenes; and lastly To Combat specific or non-specific diseases.

Starting with the first group, he said that Mythology and Insignia dated back to Thoth — most ancient of medical deities, 5000 BC; then came Imhotep — Egyptian god of Medicine, 4000-3000 BC, Aesculapius —Legion god of Medicine; Miracles at Delphi in 400 BC; Hippocrates, the Father of Medicine, to touching on the staff of Aesculapius and lastly Caduceus. The second section of his talk, Physicians and Honoring Physicians, he said that Chekhov, Clemenceau, Copernicus, Galileo, Galvani, Goethe, Grenfell, Sun-yat-Sen, and Sir Charles Tupper could be set into the class of Non-Practising Physicians, while the outstanding Practising Physicians included such men as Arlt, Auenbrugger, Bernard, Boerhaave, Calmette, Camper, Charcot, Finley, Fournier, Gorgas, Igenhousze, Hoch, Linnaeus, Long, Noguchi, Pare, Purkinj, Reed Sememlweis and Vesalius. Concluding this category, the speaker stated that last but not least, two more should be included and named Jesus Christ, the Great Physician and Saint Luke the noted Physician. Coming to the Medical Scientists, he stated that this should be divided into two classes, first chemists which includes Lavoisier, Mendeleev, Pasteur and Scheele and secondly, Physicists, such personages as Ampere, Becquerel (Radio - activity), Bell,

Curies, Langenvin Leeuwenhoek (the microscope inventor), Lomonosov, Mendel, Popov, Roentgen and Leonardo da Vinci.

Continuing to the Lay Persons, there were such persons as Father Billini, who was the father of Asylums and Orphanages; Father Damien, a Belgian priest, who gave his entire life to the Leprosy disease; Benjamin Franklin who was credited to be one of the founders of our hospitals, etc.; Jacques Cartier who found a cure for scurvy from the Indians who boiled barks of certain trees and used the liquid to cure the disease, also Captain Cook who found that drinking the juice of citrous fruits would also cure scurvy.

Turning to the next in order on the list, Congresses and Meetings, he singled out the Ophthalmological Congress in Egypt; the Leprosy Congress and the American Medical Association 100th anniversary, to which the U.S.A. issued the stamp "The Doctor".

Hospitals, Universities, Sanitoriums and Schools are found on European stamps mostly.

Coming to the next section, Medical Subjects or Scenes, Dr. Richardson told his audience that stamps showing Medical Corpsmen tending the wounded on the battle field could be included in this, also Hospital Scenes, Vaccination of patients, physicians attending the sick and many others.

In the last category, he included such stamps as those that would show the combating of Tuberculosis, Cancer, Venereal Diseases, Malaria and many others.

In concluding his remarks, he suggested that we look up some of the personages he had referred to and in that way learn why these people were honored by being portrayed on stamps of the different countries of the world. Finally he stated that Topical collecting is one of the most interesting of all collections, whether it be Medicine, Flowers, Birds, Horses, Trains, Children, etc.

U. S. NOTES

By Marion Dick Peyton

The Post Office Department has announced that the following commemoratives will be issued during 1953:

Feb. 23. — 3c honoring the National Guard. First day sales will be in Washington, D.C.

March 2 — 3c for 100th anniversary of Ohio to statehood. First day sales will be in Chillicothe (Ohio).

March 2 — 3c for 100th anniversary of Washington territory. First day sales in Olympia.

April 30 — 3c for the 150th anniversary of the Lousiana Purchase. First day sale in St. Louis, Miss.

This is the last of stamps by the present Postmaster General. He stated that his successor would plan the balance of the Post Office Department's 1953 commemorative program.

It has been reported that the new Famous American series is definitely being considered. Much will depend, of course, on the new national administration's attitude toward stamps.

The Civil Service Commission has asked for an appropriate commemorative to mark the 70th anniversary of the signing of the Civil Act on Jan. 16, 1883.

The Post Office at Oshkosh, Wis., will use a slogan cancellation from Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 1953, reading: "100th Anniversary / Oshkosh, Wisconsin."

The 3c Red Cross stamp which was issued November 21 is the prettiest U.S. stamp of 1952.

The U.N. plans five new issues in 1953. These will include a 3c stamped envelope and four commemorative issues. The stamps will be for the Technical Assistance Administration of the U.N., the General Assembly convention on refugees, U.N. Day and Human Rights Day.

The 1½c stamp of the U.N. regular issue has been precancelled. The precancelling follows the style of U.S. precancels. The stamp being overprinted "United Nations", N.Y." with bars above and below the post office name. None of these stamps are available to collectors.

United Nations stamps can be bought "over the counter" in the U.N. Headquarters building in New York City now. The sales counter offers for sale a variety sets of U.N. stamps in glassine envelopes.
fers for sale a variety of sets of U.N. and 5c Human Rights Day was issued on Dec. 10 and these make a nice addition to the album.

RUE DROUOT

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#242 25c somewhat off centre but very scarce (Gibbons £4) 5.00

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T.S.C. CLUB NOTES

The fall season of the Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club had interesting and varied meetings all of which were well attended. On October 2nd, Mr. C. N. Candee, President and General Manager of the Howard Smith Paper Mills Ltd. was guest speaker, his subject being "The Story of Paper" illustrated by two movie films in color showing all aspects of paper making and water marking methods.

The annual T.H.&B. party held in the roof garden of the Royal York Hotel on Saturday evening, October 25th celebrated its Diamond Jubilee and was an outstanding event, with many collectors from Buffalo, Hamilton, Galt, Brantford, Kitchener, London and other points present.

About one hundred and four collectors enjoyed the buffet supper and program. Dr. James C. Goodwin, Fred Jarrett and Emanuel Hahn were the speakers. Mr. Hahn, noted artist and sculptor who designed our present 7c stamp "The Canadian Goose" explained the many difficulties he had in preparing the design to meet the many requirements of the Post Office Department. An autographed photo of this stamp was given to each present as a dinner favor.

On November 6th the club's annual fall catalogue auction was held in private dining room No. 7 at the Royal York Hotel. Walter Bayley, Earl Edwards, Leslie Davenport, and Bob Woolley acted as auctioneers and under active bidding realized over $1,575 for 364 lots. Over sixty per cent of which went to mail bidders.

On November 20th Mr. W. E. D. Halliday of Ottawa, eminent authority on Canadian Postal History was guest speaker. His subject "The Development of Postal Rates in Canada, Particularly Between 1763 and 1851" was most interesting and informative.

On December 4th C. R. Conguergood, President of the Canada Printing Ink Company was guest speaker. He chose for his subject "Color in its relation to Stamps."

On December 18th the club's annual Christmas Party was held. This took the form of a White Elephant Sale. A varied collection of over 83 articles were on view, among which were books, maps, documents, medals, magnifying glasses, stamp albums, nut crackers, silver flask, beaded parrot and ebony elephant. The room was decorated with a lighted Christmas tree and at one end a bar, this later probably with an eye toward hectic bidding for the auction.

Walter Bayley, A. Earl Edwards and Leslie Davenport acted as auctioneers and sold under much heckling the various articles to realize over $150. Jim Goodwin was the biggest buyer and cheerfully accepted the many articles forced on him. The auction cleared its last item about 11.30 when the raffle, the only one held by the club during the year was drawn. This raffle, conducted by Howard Douglas, showed remarkable salesmanship in his disposal of tickets. R. J. Hennan won the turkey, Dr. J. H. Miller the duck, R. M. Speirs the chicken.

Adjournment was made to Murray's where tables had been made for a midnight snack, Dutch treat. Thus ended a very happy meeting and a very prosperous season.

Periodically we receive subscriptions from readers whom we served at one time as members of the CPS who introduce their renewal by remarking that they thought their continuing membership with the CPS brought them "Popular Stamps". This service has not been in effect since late 1950 when the Society decided to get out their own quarterly magazine. P.S., however, can still be had by any ex-reader for $1.00 per year to addresses in Canada.

A writer in the Toronto Globe thinks the plain inscription of the man's name only on the Prime Minister stamps poses a query as to who they are. He would have a bit more data thereon. Well, maybe he's got something, even if only dates of office tenure were included. But we've another for him. Did he ever notice that England has got along all these years without putting the name England on her regular stamps. You either knew from the sovereign's head on the stamp that it was England's stamp or if you didn't know who was the sovereign then it was just too bad for you to be ignorant of such.

A Cover Marking the Canadian Royal Tour in 1951. See Nov., 1952, P.S.

Penny Red Perforates

By Wm. Stanhope

Some time ago I wrote a brief article about G.B. penny red imperforates. I called attention to the countless variations to be found in the many years of that stamp's life, saying that one could easily spend a lifetime studying it. However if any readers have two lifetimes to spare they might easily spend the second one on the successors of the above, that is the penny red perforates issued between 1854 and 1864.

Business firms and individuals were tired of clipping up imperforate sheets and keeping them in boxes where they stuck together or sprung out the lid when opened. However, someone named Archer experimented with mechanical devices for separating the sheets and some of these separated stamps were actually used in the post. These stamps are "Classics" indeed — as scarce as hens' teeth. First experiments however met many difficulties and these had to be overcome before the Government would officially adopt the method. Sheets used in later machines were actually used in the mail — some perforated sheets were given to members of Parliament to frank their correspondence — these too are difficult to get hold of.

Finally, the British Government bought the patents of Mr. Archer, had machines made and the first officially perforated stamps were put on sale to the public. At first the perforation was 16 but soon it was found the sheets were too flimsy and tore apart too easily so the perforation was reduced to 14. Then it was found that the old original steel die, from which the transfer rollers were made, was not giving good impressions and the old die was retouched and called Die II. Soon a new alphabet for the corner letters was used and this gave us Alphabet III. Then the watermark was altered from a small crown to a crown of much larger size. All this time too, experiments were being made to do away with the blueing of the paper common to the old imperforate and the perforates too. Gradually the blueing was lessened till a creamy yellow tinge resulted and finally the blueing disappeared and the paper seemed quite white.

About this time two plates had corner letters engraved on them and not punched on as before. This gave us Alphabet IV, also two plates held in reserve for a long time were suddenly used and these had Alphabet II punched in.

Now to sum up we have ONE

stamp — a penny one. It may have fifteen or twenty quite distinct colorations on the back varying from deep greenish blue to almost quite white and the frontal variations were from reddish brown or even plum through yellow browns to pale, washy rose pink and to rose red, all being affected by the back paper coloring, and this will give us twenty or more face differences. Mix all these up with three different alphabets — two different watermarks — two different perforations — two different dies — not to mention all the crooked and double letters due to hand punching — inverted watermarks, re-entries, etc., and lastly the plates themselves made by hand hardly ever got the stamps so aligned that stamps were perforated through the margins, sides, tops, bottoms, margins and all were part on one stamp and part on another.

Really bad examples make an interesting page. The permutations and combinations of the above on one stamp need a mathematician to calculate. Good luck to those who tackle it. The penny red is the poor man's penny black.

NOT ABBOT of ABERBROTHOCK

Over the signature of Jeffrey A. Norman there appeared in The Toronto Globe the following whimsical skit relative to the indefiniteness of inscriptions on the Prime Minister stamps. He approaches the subject

THE ABBOTT ON THE STAMP

There may have been some correspondence in these columns which I have not seen regarding the new issue of three-cent stamps with the head of a rather severe looking pompous gentleman and with the single name inscribed underneath "Abbott." If not, I feel the matter merits discussion as it poses a very serious problem: the problem being, who is it? I have come to the conclusion that unless he is somebody or other's grandfather whom nobody has ever heard of, which of course is a possibility, he could be one of only three Abbotts.

First of all there is the Minister of Finance, Mr. Douglas Abbott, but I don't think it is him. The Mr. Abbott of the stamp looks as if he came out of a fashionable magazine published in 1885. He is wearing a Prince Albert, a wing color, an old-fashioned cravat. He has white hair and side burns. In fact, unless the portrait was done at a fancy dress ball, it is not Mr. Douglas Abbott.

Then there is the Hon. John Joseph Caldwell Abbott, who was born in 1821. This Mr. Abbott is celebrated in particular for his Insolvent Act of 1864 on which, according to my source, he published "a manual with ample notes." Otherwise, his claim to fame is the fact that it was his confidential secretary who found the private correspondence which led to the Pacific Scandal, and brought about the overthrow of Sir John A. Macdonald's government. I can see why the Liberals in Ottawa would have a warm feeling toward this Mr. Abbott, but I should think that, if this is the one, they would have done better to put the confidential secretary's head on the stamp instead of the employer's.

The third possibility is Mr. Harry Braithwaite Abbott, who was born in 1829. He had a very busy life, making his first appearance on the public scene by raising a battalion at the time of the Trent Affair for which he was made a Major. He was then made Justice of the Peace and for a while was commissioner under the act, so my source reads, for the better preservation of the peace on public works. Then he became interested in railways, and was important in the development of such notable lines as the Carillon and Grenville Railway and the Eastern Extension Railway. In 1872 he built the Carleton Place and Ottawa branch of the Canada Central Railway. After that he helped build portions of the Occidental Railway, including the bridge across the Back River. Then he became mixed up with the CPR and made all the arrangements for the passage of troops over the west Sudbury division when the Riel Rebellion broke out in 1885. Finally, he ran for Parliament and was soundly beaten.

Well, which of these do you suggest?

Note — Mr. Norman has answered his own question by the use of Hon. before the name John J. C. Abbott, more correctly Sir John. He became prime minister in 1891 following the death of Sir John A. Macdonald, resigned in 1892 due to ill health and died in 1893. — Ed. of P.S.

War Issue Cat. 249 — 1c Green Plateblocks

	UL	UR	LL	LR		UL	UR	LL	LR
Plate 1	.25	.25	.25	.75	Plate 17	.25	.50	.25	.50
Plate 2	.35	.35	.35	.75	Plate 18		.35	.35	.35
Plate 3	.35	.35	.35	.35	Plate 19	.25	.25	.25	
Plate 4	.40	.40	.40	.40	Plate 20	.25	.25	.25	.25
Plate 5	.40	.40	.40	.40	Plate 21	.25	.25	.25	.25
Plate 6	.30	.30	.30	.30	Plate 22	.15	.15	.15	.15
Plate 7	.75	.25	.25	.25	Plate 23	.25	.25	.25	.40
Plate 8		.75	1.00		Plate 24	.15	.25	.25	.15
Plate 9			1.00		Plate 25	.15	.15	.15	.15
Plate 10		.75	.75		Plate 26	.15	.15	.30	.20
Plate 11	.50	.50	.50		Plate 27	.15	.15	.15	.15
Plate 12	.50	.50	.50		Plate 28	.15	.40	.15	.50
Plate 13	.75			.75	Plate 29	.20	.20	.20	.40
Plate 14	.50		.50	.50	Plate 30	.20	.15	.15	.20
Plate 15	.25	.25	.25	.25	Plate 31	.15	.15	.15	.15
Plate 16	.25	.25	.25	.25	Plate 32	1.25	1.25	1.00	1.25

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Plate 1	.50	.40	.40	.40	Plate 4	.60	.60	.50	.60
Plate 2	.40	.40	.40	.40	Plate 5	.40	.40	.40	.60
Plate 3	.75	.75	.75	.75	Plate 6	.40	.60	.40	.60

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O16 1c Rev. 1..	.50	.75	.50	.50	O21 10c 1	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.50
Plate 2	.50	.75	.75	.75	Plate 2	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
Plate 4	.50	.50	.50	.50	O22 14c 1	2.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
Plate 5	.50	.50	.50	.50	O23 20c 1	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25
Plate 6	.50	.50	.50	.50	2	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25
Plate 7	.50	.50	.50	.50	O24 50c 1	3.00	3.50	3.00	3.00
Plate 8	.50	.50	.50	.50	O25 1.00 1	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
O17 2c Rev. 1..	1.00	1.25	1.25	1.25	O26 .10 1	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
Plate 2	1.00	1.00	1.25	1.25	2	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
O18 3c Rev. 3..	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	O27 1.00 1	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Plate 4	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	O28 2c Oliv. 3	.50	.20	.50	.50
Plate 6	1.00	1.25	1.25	1.25	4	.50	.20	.50	.50
Plate 7	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	O29 .20 1	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Plate 8	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	2	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Plate 10 ..	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	O30 .40R 17 ..	.30	.30	.30	.30
O19 4c Rev. 4..	1.25	1.50	1.50	1.25	18	.30	.30	.30	.30
Plate 6	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	CO2 .7 1		1.25	1.25	1.25
Plate 8	1.25	1.50	1.25	1.25	2		1.25	1.25	1.25
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RAMBLING GOSSIP

By Mufti

The new Queen Stamps from Great Britain will surely be well received by all collectors. Getting away from the old traditional settings may bring about a new force of collectors for the stamps of Great Britain.

Well we all know the set up for the Coronations, and from what we read they should be attractive enough. So its to be 49 Crown Colonies with addition of 12 Malays. The single stamp idea will be a help to all so that none need miss getting them. Definite news re the Dominion Coronations has not yet been published; but we may be sure that New Zealand will do a good job.

Before you read my notes the new Gold Coast 2½d red with the Queen's head inset will have reached us and from the illustration it is nice enough.

While there should be no need for rush in getting the new Queen Colonials, it is as well to get them early as no doubt you will recall how frequently in all new issues there comes along a new shade or new perf. It is a fact in stamps as with most other new commodities that "the early bird catches the early worm."

For those of you who do not regularly read your Philatelic newsies I may mention the following new Queen sets which will be among the first to be released and some perhaps within a month or so: Antigua, Gambia, Hong Kong, Leewards, Nigeria, No. Rhodesia, Nyassaland, St. Helena, Tonga, and Trinidad.

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WILL PHOENIX RISE AGAIN?

By Jos. Chambers

I live in the "Pale Face Paradise" — British Columbia — and as a philatelist I read of the "Ghost" towns of the upper country, the part those towns played in forming our history, of the mining days, the hardships early miners had to undergo, prospectors living on fish for months, or a lucky strike of gold nuggets in the creek, bring my thoughts to the days of a century having passed, and to some of the boom towns of yesterday which are the "Ghost" towns of today.

Phoenix being one of these towns, I decided to visit after having read the interesting write-up in P.S. by Mrs. M. Tod.

The trip took me along the road from the East about seven miles off the main highway to Phoenix, and to my surprise I heard a compressor at work. Could this be that the Ghosts had returned or was I dreaming! But no, men were busy on the North slope trying to locate more copper. Around the curve I came to the old hospital (if it wasn't the hospital, it had the odor of one) and the only building I could see "upright" in the old townsite, many magazines were scattered outside and I became curious as to who had resided here. On entering I noticed a stamp had been removed from an envelope that lay on the floor, this did not discourage me in the least, other stamp collectors may have searched over these magazines so took a chance, kicking a few around, I picked up a booklet—Collector - Dealer - Trader. Vol. IV. No. 18, August, 1921.

Now who was this collector - dealer-trader of Phoenix? could it be the late Mr. Bambury?

Amongst the ads in this booklet, here is one of interest—"The Hobby Rider" Holton, Kansas. A. V. Dworak, for six years editor of "Philatelic Gossip" is managing editor of the magazine and Editor of the Stamp Department. And if you collect postcards, here is an ad from France—The Prettiest French Girls, wonderful artistic photos direct from France. Sample 10c. As I am a married man I think it better not to try a "Sample", and I do not collect postcards.

The prize of this search came when a cover in fine condition was rescued from this "pile of junk" addressed to W. H. Bambury, Esq., Box 278, Phoenix, B.C. postmarked Flood, B.C. June 5, 20, it is back-stamped Hope, also Phoenix. Was the back stamps the last "hope for Phoenix" in 1920? When did the Phoenix Post Office close its door?

Let us sincerely hope the crew now working will succeed, and bring Phoenix back from the "Ghost" towns of yesterday.

WESTERNERS WANT STAMP

The Winnipeg Philatelic Society are bringing to the attention of the Postmaster General the following:

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It is understood that the Manitoba Historical Society is making arrangements to use the house (known as the Ross House) as a Museum and that the Society is making representation to the Post Office department to have it serve as a sub-post office starting in 1953. It is suggested that the Hundredth Anniversary of the first Post Office in Canada, west of Sault Ste. Marie, be commemorated by the issuance of a special postage stamp and the Post Master General is respectfully requested to give this matter most careful consideration.

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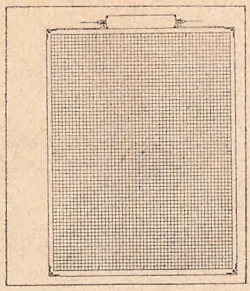

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